Selmre of Smack by Police

1584. SHBI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: ,

Will the Minister "of HOME AF-FAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the Hindustan Times of the 25th April, 1988 to the effect that smack worth Rs. 22 crore In international market -was seized by the district police near Jakhali village near Patiala from a truck which was on its -way to Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details-there-

<c) whether any arrests have been made in this connection; ,and

(d) what steps have been taken by Government to stop such types of crimes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Economic Offences against President, NCCF

1585, SHBI KAILASH PATl MISHRA-.;
SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCB be pleased to refer to the answer to Un-starrer Question 2287 given in the Rajya Sabha on 18th March, 1986 and state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn toreports of economic offences and amassing or huge' properties by the then President, NCCF which appeared ta the Jansatta of 8th April 1986 captioned "Sahkarita Yani Mil Baat Kar Khao' (ii) In the Indian Observe of March, 1988 cap-tioned 'Tapeshwar Singh MP on loot ing Spree' and (iii) in tbe Indian Observer of April, 1986 captioned 'Tapeshwar singh in the Dock'; and

(b)' If so, what action Government have taken ,in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRl AJIT PANJA): (a)- Yes, Sir.

(b) The cases of the then President, NCCF, his family members and his concerns have been centralised with a Senior assessing officer of the Income-tax Department for coordinated and in-depth *investigation aad* completion of assessments.

Sick Textile Mills is Tamil Nadu

1586. SHRI M. VINCENT; -Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number *of* sick textile .mills which are lying closed in Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether Government propose to convene a high level meeting te dis-cuss about the sickness of these textile mills in order to make these units viable; and

(c) if so, by when it is likely to be convened?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM .NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) As on 29.2.88 there werfe a total of 42 cotton/man-made fibre "' textile mitte lying closed in Tamil Nadu. of these, two eases had been registered by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) under Sick Industrial Companies Act.

(b) and (c) Government have already constituted, a Nodal Agency to evolve and manage rehabilitation packages in respeet of sick textile mills found by it to be viable. A Textile Modernisation Fund has been created to meet the modernisation needs of weak but potentially viable textile units. A Board for Industrial